

and found that Mrs. Williams owes a bill of \$15 to the grocer. She holds a note of promise to pay which was signed by a man supposed to be her husband. I looked this note over and it had the name of Dave Smith signed on it. I was also informed that this Mrs. Williams was living with a man named Dave.

I then visited a saloon on the corner next to the grocery store at No. 54 Avenue C and I learned that the Williams family were living over a saloon at 30th Street and Broadway.

Operative then went to police headquarters, 26th Street and Avenue C, and interviewed the detective in charge of the Detective Bureau, Pat Gallagher. I requested him to make a search of the records in an effort to find the name of Mrs. Madeline Williams or Mrs. Easton. He favored me with this request and made a search, but could<sup>not</sup>/find either of the names. He stated he knows the Williams outfit as the blackhand bunch. I then asked him what he meant by that and if they were ever arrested as blackhand artists and he stated no that it was just a nickname, they were known by. He stated that a Sergeant named McGrath was at present Acting Captain and is on his vacation. He knows Mrs. Easton and Mrs. Williams well and he is quite sure he could give me some information about them. This Sergeant will be back from his vacation in two weeks. I then went to the vicinity of 30th Street and Broadway and made several inquiries around the neighborhood about the Williams woman who was living over the saloon on the corner. She is known to doncut a disorderly house at this address and is known to be a notorious character. I then got in conversation with two men standing on the corner in front of the saloon and they knew this Williams click very well. They told me there was a wedding to come off